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SUMMARY: JAN 9 PAPERS REPORT IMPORTANT SADAT-BEGIN DISCUSSIONS, INCLUDING PROPOSALS TO LEND MOMENTUM TO AUTONOMY TALKS (DETAILS SEPTTEL). AHRAH AND AKHBAR UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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HEADLINE HODDING CARTER STATEMENT THAT SOVIETS
INTEND TO MAINTAIN PERMANENT AND WIDESPREAD PRESENCE
IN AFGHANISTAN. P-PERS NOTE THAT INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS
ARE UNDERWAY TO CONVENE EMERGENCY UNGA SESSION ON SUBJECT.
"BRUTAL" SOVIET AGGRESSION AGAINST AFGHAN PEOPLE.
PROMINENCE AMONG GIVEN TO WRAP UP OF MUBARAK TALKS IN
BEIJING. END SUMMARY.

1. AFGHANISTAN. JAN 9 HEADLINES READ "HUGE MILITARY
SUPPLY STREAMS INTO AFGHANISTAN TO GUARANTEE PERMANENT

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MB

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SOVIET PRESENCE; INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS AFTER SOVIET VETO--
EMERGENCY UN MEETING ON CRISIS." DRAWING ON HOODING

CARTER BRIEFING, PAPERS SAY U.S. INTELLIGENCE HAS
ASCERTAINED THERE ARE 100,000 SOVIET TROOPS IN AFGHANISTAN,
AS WELL AS FUEL DUMPS, SA-7AND9 SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES AND
ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES. PRESS NOTES U.S. CONCERN THAT
SOVIETS MAY STRIKE ACROSS PAK.AFGHAN BORDER TO HIT
INSURGENT POSITIONS. PROMINENCE GIVEN TO STATEMENT
BY PRESIDENT CARTER THAT U.S. IS CONSULTING WESTERN
AND MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES TO WORK OUT INTEGRATED MILITARY
AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR PAKISTAN. PRESIDENT
IS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING U.S. IS STUDYING AIR AND NAVAL
FACILITIES IN SOMALIA, KENYA AND OMAN FOR POSSIBLE USE
BY U.S. FORCES IN COUNTERING SOVIET THREAT. PAPERS NOTE
"INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS" ARE UNDERWAY TO HAVE UNGA
ADOPT RESOLUTION ON SOVIETS VETOED IN SECURITY COUNCIL.

2. AL AZHAR. AL AZHAR SUPREME COUNCIL (EGYPT'S HIGHEST
MUSLIM AUTHORITY) HAS CONDEMNED "SAVAGE SOVIET AGGRESSION
AGAINST AFGHAN PEOPLE." DECLARATION, ISSUED BY SHEIKH
AL AZHAR YESTERDAY, CALLS FOR MEETING OF ISLAMIC CHIEFS
OF STATE TO ADOPT "DECISIVE MEASURES TO UNIFY ISLAMIC
NATION AGAINST SOVIET ATHIEST THREAT." COUNCIL ALSO
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EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR MEASURES GQE HAS TAKEN TO COUNTER
SOVIET INVASION.

3. MUBARAK. IN BEIJING, VP MUBARAK DESCRIBED HIS TALKS
WITH CHINESE LEADERS AS "MORE THAN EXCELLENT." PAPERS
NOTE MUBARAK MET WITH ASSISTANT SECDEF MCGIFFERT, IN
ADDITION TO CHINESE OFFICIALS, TO DISCUSS MUBARAK'S UP-
COMING VISIT TO WASHINGTON. PAPERS SAY MUBARAK WILL
SEE PRESIDENT CARTER, VP MONDALE, SECRETARY VANCE
AND SECDEF BROWN WHILE IN U.S. ATHERTON

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